



THE MILITARY COMPENSATION AND RETIREMENT  
MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

**October 6, 2014**

**MCRMC Holds Ft. Hood Town Hall Meeting in Killeen, TX**

**Media Advisory 004-15**

Arlington, VA. -- Members of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission will hold a town hall meeting in Killeen, TX, on Thursday, October 16, 2014. The specific agenda is included below. The town hall is open to service members, retirees, veterans, family members, and the interested public.

The Commissioners will hear testimony from witnesses on matters surrounding the programs that compensate the members of our Uniformed Services and that therefore support the long-term health of the All-Volunteer Force.

The Congress' National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 established a nine member Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission. The Commission's task is to review the military compensation and retirement programs and make recommendations for their modernization to the President and Congress in February of 2015.

The goal of the Commission's recommendations is to ensure the long-term health of the All-Volunteer Force, provide for a high quality-of-life for the members of the Uniformed Forces and their families, and make sure that the compensation and retirement programs are financially sustainable.

The Commission recognizes the core of our national security is the men and women who choose to serve in our Uniformed Services. In turn, our government's military compensation programs are central to the success of the Services' efforts to recruit and retain service members. These beliefs guide the important work the Commission will do in the coming months and shape the Country's strategic choices for years to come.

The members of the Commission include: Mr. Alphonso Maldon, Jr. (Chairman), former Congressman Stephen Buyer, former Congressman Christopher Carney, retired Army General Peter W. Chiarelli, retired Navy Admiral Edmund Giambastiani, Jr., Mr. Mike Higgins, former Senator Bob Kerrey, former Senator Larry Pressler, and the Honorable Dov Zakheim.

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**AGENDA**  
**(The town hall is open the public)**

**Press Availability**

**Date:** Thursday, October 16, 2014

**Location:** Marriott Courtyard, 1721 E. Central Texas Expressway (US Route 90), Killeen, TX 76541

**Time:** 6:30 pm – 6:50 pm

**TOWN HALL -- The Chairman and Commissioners will hear from Service members, veterans, retirees, family members, and the public. Attendees will be given an opportunity to address the Chairman and Commissioners and relay to them their experience and comments.**

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**Location:** Marriott Courtyard, 1721 E. Central Texas Expressway (US Route 90), Killeen, TX 76541

**Time:** 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The town hall will be transcribed and the transcripts placed on the Commissioner's website. In addition to public hearings, and due to the essential need for input from beneficiaries, the Commission is accepting and strongly encourages comments and other submissions through its website ([www.mcrmc.gov](http://www.mcrmc.gov)).